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Navy Man Arrested in Spy Case

POINT MUGU NAVAL AIR STATION, Calif., March 10 (AP) — A Navy enlisted man has been arrested for investigation of selling classified Government documents, the Federal Bureau of Investigation said today.

Petty Officer Third Class Robert Dean Haguewood was arrested March 4 by the Naval Investigative Service after an undercover investigation in which he was observed selling part of a confidential document, according to Fred Reagan, a spokesman for the bureau.

But a Navy source at the Pentagon said Mr. Haguewood was not a "big-time spy" in the same category as the dozen people arrested since May in espionage scandals that have rocked the service.

"He didn't approach the Russians," said the source, who agreed to discuss the matter if not identified. "He was a very low-level guy who did a pretty stupid thing. We don't consider him any big-time spy."

Work Involving Bombs

The source described Mr. Haguewood's duties as working with bombs and other ordnance at the air station, which tests new weapons.

"It appears he was an enlisted guy in some serious trouble financially who approached somebody in a bar and let

it be known he wanted to sell some classified information," the source said. "There was an undercover policewoman who became involved, and the police called in the N.I.S. and the F.B.I. and he was put under surveillance."

"The incident appears to be isolated," said Gary Comerford, a spokesman for the Naval Investigative Service. "It appears there has been no contact with any foreign national."

The authorities say Mr. Haguewood was trying to sell a manual that was classified confidential, the lowest rating, and apparently only dealt with weapons-loading procedures, according to the Navy source at the Pentagon.

Missile Site at Base

Information on Mr. Haguewood's Navy security clearance and his job tasks was not immediately available, according to a Point Mugu spokesman, Ray Lucasey. His age and hometown were also not available.

The authorities did not immediately disclose whether Mr. Haguewood was attached to the Navy's Pacific Missile Test Center at Point Mugu, which in recent years has been conducting tests of the new Tomahawk cruise missile.

The Navy has launched the Tomahawk from submarines and surface ships in the 35,000-square-mile test range at land and sea targets.